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REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION**PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.322****Certificate****MAR 13 2006****of Correction**

ATTN: Certificate of Correction Branch
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.322, patentee respectfully requests that a Certificate of Correction be issued in the above-identified patent to correct two typographical errors found on the patent cover page and in claim 4 made by the U. S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO). Two copies of Form PTO/SB/44 are attached, showing the necessary corrections to be made. The proposed corrections do not constitute new matter or require reexamination.

The patentees note that there is a typographical error in the city of the assignee. Rather than “Dusselforf”, the proper spelling is Dusseldorf. In addition, the patentees note that claim 4 incorrectly recites “944”; this should read “1944.” This typographical error is further evidenced by claim 5. Claim 5, which depends on claim 4, recites an “isolated polynucleotide comprising nucleotides 34 to 1944 of SEQ ID NO:1 ...”.

Claim 5 lacks proper antecedent basis unless claim 4 recites "1944." Accordingly, the patentees respectfully request that the request for a certificate of correction be granted to correct these typographical errors.

Because the above-noted errors were the fault of the USPTO, no fee is believed to be required. If, however, the Patent Office determines that a fee is due, such fees may be charged to Deposit Account No. 03-3975 under Order No. 021123-0280248.

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